

## CONGRESSIONAL VETERAN COMMENDATION 2023 APPLICATION PACKET



### DUE FRIDAY, AUGUST 18, 2023 EMAILED OR DELIVERED TO ROCKWALL OFFICE BY 5:00 P.M.

Congressman Pat Fallon
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#### Congressional Veteran Commendation Application

Please type all responses and print the complete packet. Sign in the provided space and submit completed application in .pdf format by email to Adriana. Stevens@mail.house.gov by August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 5:00PM. Late applications will not be accepted.

#### **Congressional Veteran Commendation:**

As Americans, we owe our military and Veterans a debt of gratitude which can never be repaid. The Congressional Veteran Commendation (CVC) program is nominations-based, and designed to recognize the sacrifices and devotion to serving our country offered by veterans within Texas' Fourth Congressional District. Candidates that are selected to receive a Congressional Veteran Commendation will be awarded in the following manner:

- Honored at a ceremony for all award recipients in mid-November
- Will be given a United States flag that has been flown over the U.S. Capitol, along with an announcement of the award entered into the Congressional Record
- Recipients will have their name and a short biography published on fallon.house.gov under the Congressional Veteran Commendation program page.

#### **Guidelines for Applicants:**

- To be considered for a nomination, veterans must currently reside in Texas' Fourth Congressional District, must have served as Active-duty military personnel or have been Reservists or Guardsmen called to active duty, and must have been honorably discharged from a branch of the United States Armed Forces.
- You may choose to either nominate yourself, or another resident of Texas's Fourth Congressional District to receive a Congressional Veteran Commendation.
- Post-mortem nominations will not be considered.
- You must include a copy of the nominee's DD214, and a high-quality photo. Applications without either will not be considered unless you have a special circumstance preventing you from obtaining a copy.
- You may choose to include documentation of awards, time served, honors, or other supporting
  evidence to your nomination. Please make sure any documentation provided is a copy of the
  original, as our office will not accept original copies.
  - If you choose to provide supporting documentation, you may include this when you turn in your application.
- If you are filling out this application to nominate someone other than yourself, you may choose to indicate that you would like the nomination to be kept private. Our office will not notify that individual unless they are chosen to receive the Congressional Veteran Commendation. If this is the case, they will be notified by October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 with the announcement of the award.
- If you have any further questions regarding the program, applications, obtaining your DD214, or the process, please contact Adriana Stevens at Adriana. Stevens@gmail.com

#### **Congressional Veteran Commendation Program Timeline:**

- August 18, 2023: Applications Due by 5PM
- October 1, 2023: Award Notifications Delivered via Email
- November 2023 (exact date TBD): Award Ceremony

# Congressman Pat Fallon Application for Nomination to Receive a Congressional Veteran Commendation

Nominee Name	Nominator Name*
Last	Last
First	First
Middle	Middle
Preferred	Preferred
Nominee Address	Nominator Contact Information*
Street	Cell Phone Number
City/State	Home Telephone Number
County	Email Address
Zip Code  Nominee Contact Information	Do you wish to keep this application secret from the individual you are nominating until notification of award?*
Cell Phone Number	Does the Office of Congressman Pat Fallon
Home Telephone Number	have permission to contact you with any questions regarding your submitted
Email Address	application?
Nominee Information	Were you honorably discharged from service?
Date of Birth	
Gender	If you have chosen to include any supplemental documents to this
Marital Status	application, please provide the total number of pages of all documents.
Full SSN	

#### **General Information**

Please answer the following questions in 2-5 sentences, or by providing a listed response for questions that require such an answer.

If you are filling this application out to nominate someone other than yourself, please answer the questions below about the individual you are nominating.

Please list the branch(es) of the United States Military in which you served, and the duration of time you served in that branch:

What were your ranks and titles, and what was the duration of each:
What were your job code(s) and title(s):
Where were you stationed/deployed:
During your time in the military, what were your responsibilities:
Did you serve in any wars or significant battles? If so, please list them here:
What was your call to service:
Please list any outstanding medals, awards, or honors you have received for your service:

#### **Personal Information**

#### Please answer the following questions in paragraph form.

If you are filling this application out to nominate someone other than yourself, please skip the following questions. This section should only be completed by those who are self-nominating.

Please explain why you believe you are the ideal candidate to receive a Congressional Veteran Commendation:
Please detail what your life has looked like since you were discharged (e.g.: life events, hardships, community involvement, jobs held, participation in organizations):
Please share a few, or one significant memory to you during your time of service.

#### **Information from Nominator**

#### Please answer the following questions in paragraph form.

If you are filling this application out to nominate yourself, please skip the following questions. This section should only be completed by those who are nominating someone other than themselves.

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#### **Acknowledgements**

Application Agreement: Thoroughly read the following before signing. Your signature indicates your agreements with the following statements. Your application will not be considered if not signed.

The information on this application and included in my packet is all true and correct to the best of my knowledge. It is my sincere desire to nominate myself, or the individual recommended in this application. I am a legal resident of the 4th Congressional District of Texas. (If you are nominating someone else, they must be a resident of the 4th Congressional District of Texas.)

I have read this entire application and all required material included. I understand I must submit my signed and completed application as a .pdf file to Adriana. Stevens@mail.house.gov or to the Sherman Office by the 5:00 PM, August 18, 2023 deadline. If not submitted by this time, I understand that my application will not be considered.

I understand if a copy of the DD214 of the individual nominated is not included, the application may not be considered.

I understand that all information in Congressman Fallon's file related to my application, including but not limited to evaluation forms and notes, is privileged and not accessible to the candidate.

In the event I receive a Congressional Veteran Commendation, I authorize Congressman Fallon's office to release this information to the news media and public.

Applicant Signature: Date:
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